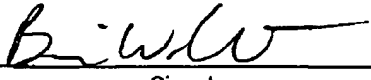
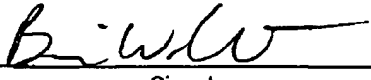
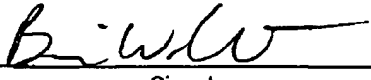


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) FY 2005 <i>(Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818))</i>		Docket Number (Optional) 59013 - 331601																						
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